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SUBJECT: CIVAIR- PRECLEARANCE

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1. SEAL (MOT) DELIVERED TEXT OF CANADIAN DRAFT OF AGREEMENT ON PRECLEARANCE TO EMBASSY LATE AFTERNOON AUGUST 17 WITH REQUEST THAT WE SEND IT TO WASHINGTON SO THAT ORTMAN MIGHT REVIEW IT BEFORE ARRIVAL CANADIAN DELEGATION TO PRECLEARANCE TALKS ON MONDAY. SEAL SAID DRAFT DIFFERS IN SOME SIGNIFICANT RESPECTS FROM U.S. DRAFT (RETEL A) AND RESULTED FROM MEETING INTERESTED CANADIAN AGENCIES EARLIER IN DAY. TEXT FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT

AGREEMENT ON PRECLEARANCE AUGUST 17, 1973

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND OF THE GOCERNMENT OF CANADA (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE PARTIES) HAVE DISCUSSED THE CONTINUANCE IN CANADA AND THE ESTABLISHMENT IN THE UNITED STATES OF INSPECTIONS REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA OF PASSENGERS DESTINED TO EITHER COUNTRY ON COMMON CARRIAGE FLIGHTS OF AIRCRAFT, SCHEDULED OR CHARTER, (FOOTNOTE 1: DOES NOT INCLUDE COMMERCIAL OPERATORS EMPLOYING AIRCRAFT OF 12,500 POINDS OR UNDER, GROSS TAKE-OFF WEIGHT, OR AIR-TAXI-TYPE OPERATIONS OR PRIVATE FLIGHTS.) A PROCEDURE HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS "PRE-CLEARANCE". THEY AGREE THAT PRE-CLEARANCE FACILITATES TRAVEL BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND THAT IT SHOULD BE CONTINUED (AND ESTABLISHED) AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES ADEQUATE TO ENABLE THE UNITED STATES' AND CANADIAN INSPECTION AGENCIES TO USE THEIR MANPOWER EFFICIENTLY AND TO INSURE PROPER INSPECTION CONTROL FOR PASSENGERS AND THEIR POSSESSIONS, AIRCRAFT, CREW, BAGGAGE (FOOTNOTE 2: INCLUDES UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE.) AND AIRCRAFT STORES ENTERING THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA AND TO OTHER CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT. ARTICLE 1

- (A) THE PARTIES AGREE THAT PRECLEARANCE SHALL BE CONTINUED AND INSTITUTED AT LOCATIONS SPECIFIED IN ANNEX A TO THIS AGREEMENT. THE PRECLEARANCE PROGRAM SHALL BE EXTENDED TO PROVIDE SERVICE IN MULTI-TERMINAL COMPLEXES AT LOCATION SO SPECIFIED.
- (B) THE PARTIES FURTHER AGREE THAT PRECLEARANCE MAY BE INTRODUCED BY THE UNITED STATES INTO ADDITIONAL CITIES IN CANADA OR BY CANADA INTO CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN THIS AGREEMENT AND UPON THEIR CONCURRENCE TO THAT EFFECT EXPRESSED IN WRITING. PRECLEARANCE SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT AT DESIGNATED POINTS UNLESS TERMINATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 8 OF THIS AGREEMENT.

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ARTICLE 2

WHERE PRECLEARANCE EXISTS IN THE TERRITORY OF A PARTY, THAT PARTY SHALL:

(A) PERMIT INSPECTIONAL AGENCIES OF THE OTHER PARTY TO CARRY OUT PRECLEARANCE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR POSSESSIONS, AIRCRAFT, CREW, BAGGAGE (FOOTNOTE 1:

INCLUDES UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE) AND AIRCRAFT STORES DESTINED NONSTOP TO THE TERRITORY OF THE INSPECTING PARTY AND, IN THIS CONTEXT, PERMIT SUCH INSPECTIONAL AGENCIES TO DETERMINE THE PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH THE INSPECTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AND THE UTILIZATION OF MANPOWER

- (B) PROVIDE ACCEPTABLE FACILITIES FOR THE INSPECTION AGENCIES TO CONDUCT PRECLEARANCE PROCEDURES, AS DEFINED IN ANNEX B TO THIS AGREEMENT.
- (C) PERMIT THE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION BY THE OTHER PARTY OF SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER MODERN INSPECTION AIDS AS IT REQUIRES.
- (D) PROVIDE APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE TO EITHER COUNTRY'S INSPECTORS INCLUDING INTER ALIA:
- (1) SEARCH BY ONE PARTY'S LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN THE PRESENCE OF THE OTHER COUNTRY'S INSPECTION OFFICER OF ANY PERSON AND HIS EFFECTS WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO PRECLEARANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS AGREEMENT IF, UNDER THE LAW OF THE COUNTRY IN WHICH PRECLEARANCE TAKES PLACE, THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER HAS SUFFICIENT GROUNDS TO BELIEVE THAT THE PERSON SEARCHED IS SEEKING TO CARRY INTO THE OTHER COUNTRY MERCHANDISE OR OTHER ARTICLES THE POSSESSION OF WHICH CONSTITUTES AN OFFENCE UNDER THE LAW OF THE COUNTRY IN WHICH PRECLEARANCE TAKES PLACE.
- (2) SEARCH BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF ANY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ACCOMPLICE OF ABETTOR OF A PERSON SEARCHED FOR REASONS AND UNDER THE CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) ABOVE.

- (E) SHOULD UPON SEARCH CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (D) (1) AND (2) ABOVE MERCHANDISE OR OTHER ARTICLES ARE DISCLOSED THE POSSESSION OF WHICH CONSTITUTES AN OFFENCE UNDER THE LAW OF THE COUNTRY IN WHICH PRECLEARANCE TAKES PLACE, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHALL TAKE WHATEVER STEPS WOULD HAVE ORDINARILY BEEN TAKEN IF THE ARTICLES AND/OR MERCHANDISE WOULD HAVE BEEN FOUND UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES UNRELATED TO PRECLEARANCE.
- (F) PROVIDED THAT INSPECTIONAL AGENCIES MAY DECLINE

TO CONDUCT PRECLEARANCE ON ANY AIR CARRIER UNTIL THAT CARRIER HAS FILED TARIFFS WITH THE APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT REGULATORY AGENCY PERMITTING THE CARRIER TO DENY CARRIAGE TO ANYONE FAILING TO SUBMIT TO A PRECLEARANCE INSPECTION AND TO ANYONE WHO, HAVING SUBMITTED TO SUCH INSPECTION, IS FOUND INELIGIBLE BY INSPECTIONAL AGENCIES TO FLY ON A PRECLEARED FLIGHT.

ARTICLE 3

EACH PARTY FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE INSPECTIONS SHALL:

(A) PROVIDE A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF INSPECTORS TO CARRY OUT WITH REASONABLE SPEED AND EFFICIENCY PRECLEARANCE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR POSSESSIONS, AIRCRAFT, CREW, BAGGAGE (FOOTNOTE 1: INCLUDES UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE.) AND AIRCRAFT STORES IN COMMON CARRIAGE FLIGHTS OF AIRCRAFT, SCHEDULED OR CHARTER

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(FOOTNOTE 2: DOES NOT INCLUDE COMMERCIAL OPERATORS

EMPLOYING AIRCRAFT OF 12,500 POUNDS OR UNDER, GROSS TAKE-OFF WEIGHT, OR AIR-TAXI-TYPE OPERATIONS OR PRIVATE FLIGHTS.) WITH REASONABLE SPEED AND EFFICIENCY.

(B) CONSULT WITH THE AIRPORT MANAGER, THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF THE OTER PARTY AND WITH THE AIR-CARRIERS CONCERNED IN DECIDING ON ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS RELATED TO THE DAY-TO-DAY IMPLEMENTATION AND OPERATION OF PRECLEARANCE PROCEDURES. NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, BOTH PARTIES SHALL HAVE THE PREROGATIVE TO REQUIRE POST-CLEARANCE AS THEY DEEM IT NECESSARY OF ANY PASSENGERS AND THEIR POSSESSIONS ON ANY FLIGHT THAT HAS BEEN PRECLEARED. ANY FLIGHT THAT IS DIVERTED OR REQUIRED TO BE POST-CLEARED SHALL BE GIVEN PRIORITY FOR THE PURPOSES OF POST-CLEARANCE INSPECTION.

ARTICLE 4

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ARTICLE 5

PRECLEARANCE BEING A FACILITATION PROCEDURE, AN AIRLINE SHALL HAVE THE DISCRETION TO USE PRECLEARANCE OR POSTCLEARANCE, PROVIDED THAT, IF THE AIRLINE OPTS FOR PRECLEARANCE, IT SHALL USE THE PROCEDURES FOR ALL ITS FLIGHTS ON ANY GIVEN ROUTE, HAVING PROVIDED THREE MONTHS NOTICE OF ITS INTENT TO DO SO, AND THEREAFTER THREEMONTHS NOTICE TO WITHDRAW FROM PRECLEARANCE AT ANY LOCATION WHERE THE FACILITY IS ESTABLISHED OR FORMS A PART OF THIS AGREEMENT.

PRECLEARANCE WILL NOT BE ESTABLISHED AT ANY LOCATION UNTIL AGREED BY BOTH PARTIES AND A REASONABLE PERIOD OF EIGHTEEN MONTHS NOTICE SHALL BE REQUIRED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PRECLEARANCE AT ANY NEW LOCATION.

ARTICLE 6

- (A) EACH GOVERNMENT SHALL TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO PERMIT THE INSPECTION OFFICERS OF THE OTHER COUNTRY TO BE ABLE TO PERFORM THEIR FUNCTIONS SATISFACTORILY. (CANADIAN TEXT).
- (B) GRANT TO ALL CITIZEN EMPLOYEES OF THE OTHER PARTY ASSIGNED TO DUTIES IN ITS TERRITORY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS AGREEMENT AND TO THEIR FAMILIES THE SAME PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES AS ARE ACCORDED TO

ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL PERSONNEL OF A DIPLOMATIC MISSION OR TO THE FAMILY OF SUCH PERSONNEL, UNDER THE VIENNA CONVENTION ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS OF 1961. (UNITED STATES' TEXT).

ARTICLE 7

EITHER PARTY MAY AT ANY TIME REQUEST IN WRITING CONSULTATIONS CONCERNING THE INTERPRETATION, APPLICATION AND MODIFICATION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND OF IT ANNEXES. SUCH CONSULTATIONS SHALL BEGIN WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH REQUEST IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RECIEVED BY THE OTHER PARTY.

ARTICLE 8

THIS AGREEMENT TOGETHER WITH ITS ANNEXES SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON THE DATE OF ITS SIGNATURE. THEREAFTER, IT SHALL CONTINUE TO BE IN FORCE UNLESS TERMINATED BY EITHER PARY GIVING ONE YEAR NOTICE IN WRITING TO THE OTHER PARTY.

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2. SIMARD (EXTAFF) INFORMED EMBASSY THAT CPA
REPRESENTATIVE FALBRAITH HAS BEEN ADDED TO DELEGATION
REPORTED REFTEL B. HE SAID IT POSSIBLE, BUT NOT AT
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